

PRESIDENT: I think there has been some mistake about it. Dr. M. K. Gopala Pillai says that he has got a scheme that there should be a sanitary assistant for every pakuthi or population of 10000, and that such a scheme is under consideration of Government.

Mr. P. G. THOMAS: May I know when the Government intends to start it?

PRESIDENT: That is exactly what cannot be asked, as it relates to future action.

Malaria in Pathanamthitta taluk and Peermade.

370. ***MR. K. A. MATHEW:** Will the Government be pleased to state:
(a) whether they are aware of the prevalence of malaria in Konni and other areas in Pathanamthitta taluk and also in Peermade; and

(b) what measures they have taken to combat the spread of this epidemic?

RAJYASEVANIRATA DR. M. K. GOPALA PILLAI: (a) Yes.

(b) A copy of the press note dated 7-7-45 issued by Government detailing the measures taken in the matter is laid on the table.

Malaria relief.

371. ***MR. T. K. NARAYANA PILLAI:** Will the Government be pleased to state whether Pipready-to-spray insecticide is being used now in connection with malaria relief?

RAJYASEVANIRATA DR. M. K. GOPALA PILLAI: Yes.

Attack of malaria and typhoid in Minachil.

372. ***MR. P. S. GOPALA PILLAI (Minachil cum Thodupuzha):** Will the Government be pleased to state:

(a) the number of people who were attacked by malaria and typhoid during this year 1120 in the taluk of Minachil and how many died; and

(b) what are the measures adopted to prevent the epidemics?

RAJYASEVANIRATA DR. M. K. GOPALA PILLAI:

(a)	Malaria	Attacks	...	6,525
		Deaths	...	11
Typhoid		Attacks	...	36
		Deaths	...	4

(b) For the control of malaria, distribution of Quinine is carried on by the field staff of the Public Health Department by house to house visit. 5 treatment centres have been started in the affected localities for the purpose.

For the control of typhoid, anti-typhoid inoculations are carried out. 845 inoculations were done by the field staff so far during this year.

Outbreak of malaria.

373. ***MR. PULIYOR T. P. VELAYUDHAN PILLAI:** Will the Government be pleased to state:

(a) whether they are aware of the outbreak of a serious type of malaria in the eastern pakuthies of Tiruvalla taluk;

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